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SUBJ: NIMEIRI PUBLICIZES C-130 SALE APPROVAL

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1. WHILE FON OFF U/SEC OSMAN EVENING APRIL 9, HE TOLD ME THREE P.M LOCAL ARABIC WS HAD FEATURED MY CALL ON NIMEIRI EARLIER IN DAY RE C-130 SALE (REFTEL). TO HIS SURPRISE, NEWS HAD REPORTED FLATLY USG HAS AGREED SELL SUDAN C-130 AIRCRAFT. REPLIED I ALSO SURPRISED, AS I HAD CAREFULLY EXPLAINED TO PRESIDENT OUR CONGRESSIONAL REFERRAL PROCEUDRES. OSMAN SAID HE HAD BEEN AWARE LABTAR AND OPINED NIMEIRI HAD CAUSED ISSUANCE ITEM WITHOUT REFERENCE FOREIGN MINISTRY. TOLD HIM I HOPED TOMORROW IN WASHINGTON WOULD NOT BE SLOW NEWS DAY, AS IT TACTICALLY UNWISE FOR CONGRESSMEN TO READ ABOUT MATTER WHILE IT STILL TECHNICALLY SUBJECT SOME ACTION ON THEIR PART. OSMAN OBVIOUSLY UPSET, SAID HE FULLY AGREED.

2. COMMENT: WITH PRIMIN, FONMIN AND MINSTATE FONAFFS ALL ABSENT, NIMEIRI OBVIOUSLY TOOK UNILATERAL DECISION PUBLICIZE APPROVAL SALE AT EARLIEST MOMENT FOR HIS OWN REASONS.; .9439;34, OSMAN SAID KHALID HAD CABLED FROM WASHINGTON THAT SALE "APPROVED". IN
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EVENT PUBLICITY HERE GIVES RISE ANY PROBLEM ON HILL, HOPE CIRCUMSTANCES CAN BE QUIETLY EXPLAINED IN TERMS OUR LITTLE UNDERSTOOD PROCEDURES AND CUSTOMARY SUDANESE PENCHANT SEE HORSE IN BARN WHEN IT STILL ROUNDING LAST TURN.
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